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Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment to California's 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies exempt projects to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization portion of the State.

No. Description

28 State and Local Element

- Modifies funding for the National Scenic Byways Program lump sum grouped projects by programming three projects for the Volcanic Legacy Scenic Byway. The three projects are the Volcanic Legacy Scenic Byway Corridor (VLSBC) Management Plan, the VLSBC Interpretive Plans, and the FLSBC Orientation Stations. These projects are included in the National Scenic Byways Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Grants as CA05-001, CA05-002, CA05-007, and program a total of \$410,000 of federal discretionary funds and \$108,000 of local funds in FY 2005/06.
- Modifies funding for the Transportation Enhancement Program by programming \$26,559 in federal transportation enhancement funds, and \$3,441 in state cash in FY 2005/06 for a sidewalk project in Portola.

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The updated programming is for projects that are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination and/or regional emissions analysis be performed per 40 CFR 93.126 and 93.127- Tables 2 and 3. Therefore, no further conformity determination is required. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

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